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### CARE IN HASLEMERE

For once you are **NOT** being asked for money!! Care in Haslemere is

asking for a little of your time.

It is a Good Neighbour Scheme that has been functioning for 35 years – mainly driving clients to medical, and other, vital appointments. Drivers use their own cars and are paid a mileage allowance, and clients are asked to make an appropriate donation.

It is all about a personalised service, for an individual, who may be elderly and probably anxious, who is reassured by a kindly person who has volunteered to give time and support to transport them on the day. This is especially appreciated by clients who live alone, and the drivers find it very rewarding too.

The operation is masterminded from a central office by Duty Officers, who carry out a three hour shift about once a fortnight. When they get a request they ring around to find an available driver, and fix everything up.

The drivers can stipulate how often they can help and the distance they are prepared to go, and are not constrained by any timetable.

Both drivers and Duty Officers are needed and enquiries would be very welcome during office hours (Monday and Friday: 10 am to 4 pm; and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays: 10 am to 1 pm; 01428 652505), or speak to one of the Grayswood volunteers – Allen Chubb, Angela Wheeler or Trish Bell.

Mary Holthouse

### Dear Friends

#### Choices, choices, choices.

A phrase we often hear in our consumer society, but it's particular relevant perhaps in the run up to the Election. Which way will we choose? More importantly perhaps, *how* do we choose? What values inform our decision?

Some people will vote according to what suits them best, what is to their own personal advantage. Other people have a wider vision and think about what is best for our nation as a whole.

Imagine for a moment that Jesus is voting. What values inform his choice?

I believe he would make a vote that would be best for the poorest in our society. Why? Because throughout the Bible it is abundantly clear that God does indeed have a bias - but it's to the poor, especially when they are poor because of the behaviour of the wealthy, whether that is outright oppression or ignoring them as if they don't count. The book of Amos, with which Jesus would have been familiar of course, utterly condemns practices of greed and deceit which crush those whose need is greatest.

Jesus reflects that attitude in his ministry, as he shows respect and care for the sick, the disadvantaged and those on the margins of society.

Today moral philosophers agree that a society is judged by the way it treats its poor.

Who are they in Britain today? Will our vote count for *them*?

*With every good wish*

Barbara



### SAVE THE DATE – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July

The Friends of All Saints are having a **Birthday Tea and Big Plant Sale**, and in the evening there will be **Music for a Summer Evening** –

an organ recital in the church by

Katherine Dienes-Williams,

Organist and Choir Master of Guildford Cathedral.

So please start saving your plants, nurturing your seedlings and taking cuttings now.

Our plant sales have been very successful in the past and we feel we now have a reputation to maintain!

And please save the date for our Summer Evening Concert – details to follow in due course.

Please contact Pauline Lamb, [lamb@haslemere.com](mailto:lamb@haslemere.com) or 01428 643798, for more information.

### ALL SAINTS SPRING FAYRE

Saturday 2nd May

11.30 – 1.30 pm at Grayswood Village Hall

Bacon Butties served from 12pm – 1pm

RAFFLE

CAKES AND PRODUCE

KITCHENALIA

BROCANTE

BEAUTY AND THE BEADS

PLANTS

BOOKS AND DVDS

CHILDREN'S CORNER

BOUNCY CASTLE AND MORE!!

Entrance: £1 (adults) including tea/coffee and biscuit free  
More information from Di (654303; [drdcook01@gmail.com](mailto:drdcook01@gmail.com))  
or Shirley (653285; [shirley1941@btinternet.com](mailto:shirley1941@btinternet.com))



Contacting the Runner : 01428 656504, [grayswoodrunner@gmail.com](mailto:grayswoodrunner@gmail.com)

Deadline for inclusion of items in next edition: **8th May 2015**

**CHURCH SERVICES in MAY****Every Sunday: 8am Holy Communion (BCP)****Every Sunday the main service is at 10am****3rd** Parish Communion led by Hazel Whitehead**10th** Morning WorshipChristian Aid Service  
at All Saints, 5 pm**14th** Ascension Day:  
Joint Eucharist  
at St Bartholomew's,  
Haslemere, 8 pm**17th** Parish Communion**24th** Pentecost:  
All Age Morning Worship with Song Squad**31st** Trinity Sunday:  
Joint Parish Communion  
Service at St Bartholomew's,  
Haslemere, 9.30 am**Thursday 7th and 21st** Holy Communion, 10.15 am**Christian Aid Week  
10th - 16th May 2015**

We will be collecting for Christian Aid again during May, and hope that you will be willing to support its many vital projects.

A red envelope will probably have been delivered to you with this edition of The Runner (and, if not, some are available in All Saints Church).

We would be most grateful if you could return donations (in a red envelope) to Church House, Church Close, Grayswood, or bring it with you to any of the services at All Saints during May.

**VILLAGE PRAYER**

In May we remember those who live in Grayswood Road, Haslemere Road, Lower and Upper Birtley, Witley Farm, Shoelands, South Park, Stroud, Hurt Hill & High Button.

**HASLEMERE FOOD BANK****Urgently needed** (*preferably small items rather than family packs, please*):

Coffee  
Sugar (pound pack, preferably)  
Tinned puddings/rice pudding  
Tinned spaghetti  
Jams  
Custard

**Always in need of:**

Tinned meat, vegetables, fish, potatoes  
Toiletries  
Biscuits and puddings  
Drinking chocolate  
Long life milk

**Not currently needed:**

Soup, baked beans, pasta or nappies

**Non-perishables only please****Contacting All Saints**

Do contact us if you would like us to pray for you. Phone any number below, send an e-mail, write the name in the book at the back of church, pop a note into Church House, or ask someone to pass a message on. A first name is all we need and confidences are ALWAYS respected.

**Sacred space:** The church building is open every day from about 9am until dusk in winter, about 6pm in summer. It's a peaceful place to think, meditate, dream, pray.

**Contacting All Saints:**

**Barbara Steele-Perkins** is officially on duty all day Sunday and Thursday, and Monday and Friday mornings; she also works part-time for the diocese, but both jobs allow for some flexibility. She responds to answer-phone messages every day except Tuesday and will get back to you as soon as possible.

tel: 656504 e-mail: [barbarasteelerperkins@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:barbarasteelerperkins@tiscali.co.uk)

**Janet Fry**, our **church administrator**, works in **Church Office** (in Church House) which is open Mon, Thurs and Fri mornings from 9am-12 noon. At other times you can still leave a message.

tel: 656504 e-mail: [allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsgrayswood@gmail.com)

If you would like someone to visit you - for whatever reason please contact Barbara or Janet (details above). You are promised complete confidentiality.

**Useful Numbers**

Village Hall Bookings:  
[mark@stonefern.com](mailto:mark@stonefern.com)

Grayswood Club  
07748 065 821

Grayswood School 642086

Grayswood Nursery School  
658931

Wheatsheaf 644440

**Events in May**

**Book Club:** Tues. 12th May, 8 pm, the Village Club, 'One Night in Winter' by Simon Sebag Montefiore; 9th June, 'The Mirror World of Melody Black' by Gavin Extence

**Quiz Night:** Thurs. 28th May and 25th June, 7.45 pm, the Club

**WI:** Wednesday 13th, 7.30 pm, Grayswood Village Hall

**Good Book Morning:** Monday 25th, 10.30-midday, 77 Lower Road

**Grandparent/Parent Toddler**

**Group:** Wed. 9.15-10.45 am (term time—no meeting on 27th), Oonagh Jeffrey Room, at the Hall. Details from Jane, 643891, or Janet, 01483 527390

**Gardening Club AGM**

on Thursday 4th June  
in Grayswood Village  
Club at 7.45 pm,  
followed by a garden visit  
and drinks at  
The Wheatsheaf  
(for details of May garden visits please call Angela on 652667)

**Chamber Music Concerts in June at St Christopher's Church, Haslemere**

**6th, 7.30 pm** Instrumental Quintet of London with an exotic & colourful repertoire from Mozart to Debussy; with Susan Milan (flute), Nicholas Ward (violin), Matthew Jones (viola), Sebastian Comberty (cello) & Ieuan Jones (harp)

**13th, 7.30 pm** British Isles Festival Ensemble performing baroque works by Bach, Quantz and Telemann, with Susan Milan (flute), David Theodore (oboe), Lois Au bassoon and Robert Costin (harpsichord)

Tickets £18, age 8-25 £10. Enquiries telephone: 01428 641116, email [fluteclassics@gmail.com](mailto:fluteclassics@gmail.com), online at [www.wegotickets.com](http://www.wegotickets.com), direct link <http://www.wegotickets.com/event/315613> from Chamberlain Music Haslemere and at the door